GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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SPONSORING SPORTS
Das Shri Bhakta Charan

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to sponsor various games like hockey, football etc. other than cricket;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this regard;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has received any proposal from the various State Governments including Odisha in this regard;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken on such proposals;

(f) whether the Government proposes to include such games in schools/colleges of the country; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a) to (c): No, Madam. The Government does not sponsor any game. However, the Government supplements the efforts of the recognized National Sport Federation concerned through financial assistance for holding national/international sports events in India, participation of sportspersons/teams in international sports events abroad, training/coaching of national level sportspersons/teams through Indian and foreign coaches, procurement of equipment and consumables etc. as per agreed Long Term Development Plans (LTDPs).

(d)No, Madam.

(e)Does not arise.

(f)As per the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, every school is required to provide playgrounds, sports equipments as well as part time instructors for physical education. However, there is no proposal for including any specific sport discipline in the curriculum of schools and colleges.

(g)Does not arise.